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# UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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Attorney Docket No. 36968/262637 (BS 001256)

First Inventor John Ruckart

Title Method and System for Paying Prepaid Communications Credit

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**APPLICATION ELEMENTS**

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1.  Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)  
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)

2.  Applicant claims small entity status.  
See 37 CFR 1.27.

3.  Specification [Total Pages 21]  
(preferred arrangement set forth below)  
 - Descriptive title of the Invention  
 - Cross References to Related Applications  
 - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D  
 - Reference to sequence listing, a table,  
 or a computer program listing appendix  
 - Background of the Invention  
 - Brief Summary of the Invention  
 - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)  
 - Detailed Description  
 - Claim(s)  
 - Abstract of the Disclosure

4.  Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 8]

5. Oath or Declaration [Total Pages 4]  
 a.  Newly executed (original or copy)  
 b.  Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63 (d))  
 (for a continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)  
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 Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s)  
 named in the prior application, see 37 CFR  
 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).

6.  Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

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7.  CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)

8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)  
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 b. Specification Sequence Listing on:  
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 ii.  paper  
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**ACCOMPANYING APPLICATIONS PARTS**

9.  Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))

10.  37 C.F.R. §3.73(b) Statement  Power of Attorney (when there is an assignee)

11.  English Translation Document (if applicable)

12.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449  Copies of IDS Citations

13.  Preliminary Amendment

14.  Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)  
(Should be specifically itemized)

15.  Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)  
(if foreign priority is claimed)

16.  Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. 122 (b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent.

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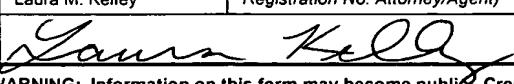
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